MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): For the kind decision of the President I draw the President's attention to the arrangement of the subjects in the agenda placed before us.

PRESIDENT: When the President has arisen no member has got a right to rise simultaneously.

I am now disposed to decide the question which was held over yesterday in regard to the motions for the adjournment of the House of which notice has been delivered yesterday. The House will remember that one such motion was admitted and it will come up for discussion at 3-30 today. The House will sit again on Saturday. So there is only one other day on which any adjournment motion, if admitted, could be taken up. Of the adjournment motions which are still in my hands, I have considered very carefully the relative importance, urgency and usefulness of any discussion which may take place on the floor of this House in regard to subjects which are embraced within the different motions for adjournment. Leaving one or two such motions which might immediately be rejected as being out of order, there are two or three motions which could be admitted as coming within the four corners of the rules regulating the admission of motions for adjournment. The one relates to the drought in two different parts of Travancore of which two different notices have been given and the other relates to the malaria in South Travancore. In-as-much as the malaria in South Travancore is concerned, it has attracted attention not only in Travancore but also outside Travancore, and people outside are watching very carefully as to what this epidemic is going to lead to, perhaps in view of the sad experience of Ceylon quite recently and it is, I think, very necessary that we should give prominence to that question for consideration.

I am told that Government have already adopted certain measures both remedial and curative. It is, of course, left to the House to apply its own searchlight and favour Government with such opinion, views and criticisms as it may like, and I feel sure that Government will be prepared to pay that consideration to the suggestions which they deserve. I have therefore decided to allow the adjournment motion in regard to the malaria epidemic in South Travancore to be discussed on the floor of the House and I have posted it to Saturday at 3-30 P. M. All other adjournment motions will therefore lapse.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether the permission of the House should not be sought for for this?

PRESIDENT: As the Honourable Member moves that motion with the leave of the House and no objection having been raised I do not think permission of the House should be sought for.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Even according to the procedure 14 members should rise in their seats to signify their assent.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

PRESIDENT: Not necessary; only if there is an objection the view of the House has to be taken and the members asked to stand, etc. The procedure suggested has to be taken if only objection is raised.

There was one other motion, I believe, of which notice has been given and which the President thought it expedient to consult the Dewan as to what his view in the matter was: and the President is now authorised to inform the House that the Dewan objects to the discussion of that motion under Rule 53.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): May we know what exactly that motion is?

PRESIDENT: The motion refers to the resolutions that have been passed at the various conferences held in Travancore recently. The motion is this:

> "I beg leave to move that the business of the House be now adjourned in order to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance *viz.*, the attempt of certain sections of His Highness's subjects to bring the Government of Travancore into hatred, contempt and ridicule, by speeches made and resolutions passed in open conferences that were held recently and by the publication of the proceedings thereof in the Newspapers."

Communal feelings have already been considerably ruffled by discussion thereof in open conferences and, perhaps, by what has subsequently appeared in the newspapers, and the consequence of allowing the discussion on the floor of the House will be that that feeling would be still further embittered rather than bettered. For these reasons under Rule 53 it is considered not desirable to discuss the motion. Rule 53 is this:

> "Notwithstanding anything contained in Rules 20 to 23, the Dewan may disallow any motion for adjournment on the ground that it cannot be moved without detriment to public interests, and, on his doing so, no further discussion of the motion shall take place."

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): With respect to the other motions, may I know whether they are disallowed or allowed to stand?

PRESIDENT: They may be renewed for discussion. Only one is allowed now and that which could be disallowed at once has been disallowed.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Sir, with respect to the arrangement of subjects in the agenda that is placed before the House, I request the Chair to see that the Vakils' Regulation Amendment Bill that stands in my name be placed under the heading "Introduction of the Bill". From the agenda that was placed before the House in the last session of the meeting, that is on the 12th Makaram 1109, it would be seen that the Bill was at its stage of introduction, it was actually introduced, it was discussed to a great extent and the introduction procedure was about to be closed. By that time the House adjourned. So I request the President to see that the mistake in today's agenda is corrected. I have written a letter to the Secretary to the Sri Mulam Assembly, in view of the fact that the last session was prorogued on

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly